

Yesterday, I had the privilege of escorting Peter Rusthoven of Indianapolis to the Rotunda to pay his respects to President Ronald Reagan. Peter served President Reagan as a legal counsel and speechwriter from the 1980 campaign through the President's 1992 speech to the Republican National Convention and he is a native Hoosier. Over the last 16 years, I have had no better friend and, more than anyone else, Peter Rusthoven has helped me understand the life and work of Ronald Reagan. You can read his poignant essay in the Indianapolis Star today by clicking [here](#) .